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TO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: DECONTROL UPON RECEIPT

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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY TO FOREIGN MINISTER RE
INDOCHINA REFUGEES

1. FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY TO FOREIGN MINISTER
CHATCHAI CHUNHAWAN SHOULD BE DELIVERED ONLY IF EMBASSY
CONSIDERS IT WOULD BE USEFUL. PLEASE ADVISE.

2. QUOTE: DEAR MR. MINISTER:

THE RECENT EVENTS IN INDOCHINA HAVE PRODUCED AN
UNPRECEDENTED SERIES OF PROBLEMS FOR THE NEIGHBORING
STATES. THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE HAVE FLED THE COMMUNIST
ARMIES AND IN SO DOING HAVE SOUGHT TEMPORARY REFUGE IN
THAILAND AND ELSEWHERE.

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I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I PERSONALLY APPRECIATE THE

HELP, THE PLACES OF REFUGE, AND THE OTHER FACILITIES THE ROYAL THAI GOVERNMENT HAS MADE AVAILABLE IN OUR COMMON EFFORT TO ASSIST THESE REFUGEES IN THEIR MISFORTUNE. WITHOUT THIS ASSISTANCE, THE WORLD WOULD HAVE BEEN FACED WITH AN IMMENSE HUMAN TRAGEDY. THANKS TO THE GENEROUS ACTIONS OF THAILAND, MANY OF THE PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN MADE MANAGEABLE AND MUCH SUFFERING HAS BEEN AVERTED.

PLEASE ACCEPT MY SINCERE THANKS AND THE THANKS OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THAILAND'S ASSISTANCE DURING THIS DIFFICULT PERIOD. I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT MY GOVERNMENT IN COORDINATION WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTS AND INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES, WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO SEE THAT THE INDOCHINESE REFUGEES ARE MOVED ON TO PERMANENT RESETTLEMENT AREAS AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE. BEST REGARDS, HENRY A. KISSINGER UNQUOTE.

3. WE DO NOT INTEND RELEASE TEXT BUT HAVE NO OBJECTION IF RTG DESIRES TO DO SO. KISSINGER

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